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RECORD OF THE MEETINGS.

March 11, 1867.

President Horn in the Chair.

Fourteen members present.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to petition the Court to amend the Charter for change of name, reported that application had been made to the Court, considered and granted, and was now ready for acceptance by the Society.

The following donations to the *Cabinet* were announced, and the thanks of the Society voted to the donors:—

A large and valuable collection of Mexican Insects, from Dr. Chas. Sartorius.

The Entomological Collection of the late Brackenridge Clemens, M. D., from Mrs. S. B. Clemens.

Prof. Ennis made some few remarks in reference to certain species of *Tabanus*, in British Columbia, said to be very destructive to horses and horned cattle, and recommended that the subject be taken up and studied by some one of the members.

The following Papers were presented for publication in the *Transactions*:—

"A Catalogue of the described Tenthredinidæ and Uroceridæ of North America, by Edward Norton."

"Notes on the Pompilidæ of North America, with descriptions of new species, by E. T. Cresson."

"Descriptions of new American Lepidoptera, No. 1, by A. R. Grote and C. T. Robinson."

The following was read and accepted:—

In the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the City and County of Philadelphia.

In the matter of the petition to change the name of "The Entomological Society of Philadelphia" to "The American Entomological Society."

And now February 23rd, 1867, upon consideration of petition, and on proof of publication of notice of application for change of name duly filed; it is ordered by the Court that the name of "The Entomological Society of Philadelphia" be changed to that of "The American Entomological Society." And that notice of this change of name be given to the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court this 23rd day of February, A. D. 1867.

[SEAL]

J. P. GALTON,
Pro. Clerk.

On ballot, Rathmell Wilson, of Newark, Del., and John S. Haines, of Germantown, Pa., were elected *Honorary Members;* and Joseph W. Drexel and Thomas E. McElroy were elected *Resident Members.*

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April 8, 1867.

President Horn in the Chair.

Seven members present.

The following donation to the *Cabinet* was announced:—

Two specimens of *Cononotus scricans* Lec., from Dr. Geo. H. Horn.

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May 13, 1867.

Vice-President Pine in the Chair.

Fourteen members present.

The Committee appointed to revise the By-Laws of the Society, made its final report, which was read, accepted, ordered to be printed, and a copy sent to each resident member prior to its consideration, which was postponed for one month.

The following donations to the *Library* were announced:—

The American Journal of Science and Arts, May 1867. From the *Conductors.*

The Entomologist's Monthly Magazine for January, February and March, 1867. From the *Editors.*

Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History, Vol. IX, pp. 1—80. From the *Society.*

The following Paper was presented for publication in the *Transactions:*—

"Notes on American Micro-Lepidoptera, by C. T. Robinson."

Dr. Horn made a few remarks on the species of *Cicindela* of the United States and explained the subdivision into groups as adopted by Dr. LeConte in the monograph published some years since in the Transactions of the Amer. Philosophical Society. He also spoke of the Catalogue of the genus recently published by Baron Chaudoir, in which a different classification has been adopted, though without any explanation regarding the points made use of in its formation. In this paper Chaudoir unites several of our species as varieties or races, and doubtless with propriety. In the earlier days of entomological science it was found necessary to describe many uniques as distinct species, as those com-

ing from different regions or sections of the same region showed such differences that it was impossible at that time to consider them as identical. Frequently, in close proximity we find individuals of the same species so differing, that they have been considered as belonging to distinct species, and it is not until explorations are made in more remote regions that other races are found proving the specific identity of the first two. To illustrate this it will only be necessary for the members to examine the series now before them from *oregona* to *repanda*, in which with a fuller series of specimens than we now have, the identity could be established without the possibility of any doubt. Such series may be seen beautifully arranged in the collections of Dr. LeConte and Mr. Ulke. By this it will be seen that within certain limits there can be no greater error committed than that of considering markings alone as indicative of specific differences. We have *dorsalis* and *Saulcyi* becoming at times entirely white, with all degrees between this and the fully marked specimens. *Punctulata* also, from the dull bronze immaculate specimens found with us, becomes in the south western territory brilliant green and with markings almost as distinct as in *tortuosa*. The variation of *rugifrons* are none the less marked, the brilliant bluish green degenerating to a dull black in the race known as *modesta*. It must be evident to the members that from color the only other alternative is structure and it seems finally that nothing short of some *well defined* and *permanent* structural differences indicate true specific characters. Permanent, because in the group from *oregona* to *repanda* we find differences in the serration of the elytral tips, some being almost entirely free of this sculpture, while in others it is very strongly marked. In some instances, structural differences are more strongly marked in one sex than in the other, as between the females of *cuprascens* and *macra*. With closely drawn lines it is probable that of our 68 species one-half, at least, would be considered races or varieties. It therefore behooves the members to be constantly on the watch for even the slightest variation from the typical form, so that large series may be studied and the knowledge sooner attained as to what really constitutes a species and what a variety in the interesting genus *Cicindela*.

June 10, 1867.

Vice-President Pine in the Chair.

Ten members present.

The following Papers were presented for publication in the *Transactions*:—

"Descriptions of a new Pseudomorpha from California, with notes on the Pseudomorphidæ, by Geo. H. Horn, M. D."

"On Amphizoa insolens, Lec., by Geo. H. Horn, M. D."

The Report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was taken up, and the Constitution and Chapters 1, 2 and 3 of the By-Laws adopted with several amendments.

JULY 8, 1867.

President HORN in the Chair.

Seven members present.

The following donation to the *Cabinet* was announced :—

8 specimens of COLEOPTERA (*Cicindela oregona, C. pusilla*), from Geo. H. Horn, M. D.

The following Papers were presented for publication in the *Transactions :—*

"Descriptions of new genera and species of western Scarabæidæ, with notes on others already known, by Geo. H. Horn, M. D."

"Notes on the Zopheri of the United States, by Geo. H. Horn, M. D."

"Descriptions of American Lepidoptera, No. 2, by A. R. Grote and C. T. Robinson."

SEPTEMBER 9, 1867.

President HORN in the Chair.

Eleven members present.

The following donations to the *Cabinet* were announced :—

A small collection of COLEOPTERA collected at Newbern, N. C., from Mr. Isaac Patterson.

A small collection of Insects of various Orders, from F. Hermann Strecker.

The following donations to the *Library* were announced :—

Transactions of the American Entomological Society, Vol. 1, No. 1. From the *Publication Committee.*

The American Journal of Science and Arts, July 1867. From the *Conductors.*

The Entomologist's Monthly Magazine for April, May, June, July and August 1867. From the *Editors.*

Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History, Vol. IX, pp. 81—208. From the *Society.*

Transactions of the Entomological Society of London, 3rd series, Vol. 2, Part 6; Vol. 3, Parts 3 and 4; and Vol. 5, Parts 2—6. From the *Society.*

Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London, 1865, Parts 1, 2 and 3; 1866, Parts 1, 2 and 3; 1867, Part 1. From the *Society.*

Journal of the Linnean Society of London, Nos. 31 to 35 inclusive. From the *Society*.

List of the Members, &c., of the Linnean Society of London. 1866. From the *Society*.

Proceedings of the Essex Institute, Vol. 5, No. 3. From the *Institute*.

Memoirs of the Boston Society of Natural History, Vol. 1, Part 2. From the *Society*.

Notes on the Lepidoptera of America, by A. R. Grote and C. T. Robinson. From the *Authors*.

A Monograph of the British Psocidæ, by R. McLachlan. From the *Author*.

The Zoologist, 2nd series, Nos. 10—21. From the *Editor*.

The American Naturalist, Vol. 1, Nos. 6 and 7. From the *Editors*.

Descriptions of American Pompilidæ, by E. T. Cresson. From the *Author*.

Abhandlungen herausgegeben vom naturwissenschaflichen Vereine zur Bremen, Bd. 1, Heft 2, 1867. From the *Society*.

Diptera Americæ septentrionalis indigena Descripsit H. Loew. Berlin, 1861. From the *Author*.

Essai d'une Faune Entomologique de l'Archipel Indo-Néerlandais, par S. C. Snellen Van Vollenhoven. Premierè Monographie: Famille des Scutellérides avec 4 Planches coloriées. Seconde Monographie: Famille des Piérides, avec 7 Planches, dont 6 coloriées. From the *Author*.

68 Plates of North American Lepidoptera, engraved on copper and presented by Prof. Townend Glover.

Letters were read from the Smithsonian Institution, the Entomological Society of London, the Zoological Society of London, the Société Entomologique de France and the Stettin Entomologische Verein, acknowledging the receipt of the Society's publication.

The following Papers were presented for publication in the *Transactions*:—

"Descriptions of certain Diurnal Lepidoptera found in the United States, by Wm. H. Edwards."

"A List of the Ichneumonidæ of North America, with descriptions of new species, by E. T. Cresson."

"On a new genus of Aphidæ, by Henry Shimer, M. D."

"Description of a new species of Aleyrodes, by H. Shimer, M. D."

"Description of a new species of Cecidomyia, by H. Shimer, M. D."

On ballot, Henry Lorenzen and Herman Sachs, both of New York City, were elected *Corresponding Members*.

The consideration of the Report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was resumed, and the whole finally adopted, as follows:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be called "The American Entomological Society." Its object shall be for the improvement and advancement of Entomological Science and the investigation of the character and habits of Insects.

ARTICLE II.

The Society shall consist of resident members, corresponding members, and honorary members.

ARTICLE III.

The right of voting, of holding office, and of transacting business shall be confined solely to resident members. Honorary and corresponding members shall have all other privileges of resident members.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of the Society shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Librarian and a Curator, all of whom shall be elected annually, at the Stated Meeting in December.

ARTICLE V.

The common seal of the Society shall be the title of the Association, surrounding the words "Founded 1859," Incorporated 1862," with a figure of "Dynastes Tityus," and the motto "Festina lente" occupying the centre.

ARTICLE VI.

The Society shall not be dissolved unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members, notice having been given at least six months before of the intended action.

ARTICLE VII.

The Society may establish such By-Laws for its government and regulation as may be deemed necessary and proper.

ARTICLE VIII.

No change shall be made in this Constitution unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a stated meeting, notice of such proposed change having been submitted in writing at a previous stated meeting.

BY-LAWS.

CHAPTER I.

OF OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

ART. I.—The President shall preside at the meetings of the Society, enforce the laws, preserve order and decorum, regulate debates, state and put questions agreeably to the sense and intention of the members, and announce the determination of the Society thereupon. He shall nominate the Chairman of all Committees other than those especially excepted, give the casting vote when required, and call special meetings of the Society at such times as he may deem it necessary, or at the request of any three members in writing.

ART. II.—In the absence of the President, his duties shall devolve upon the Vice-President, or in the absence of both, a President *pro tempore*, selected from the members; or at his request when present, his duties may be performed by the Vice-President.

ART. III.—The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct and preserve the correspondence of the Society, keep correct copies of all letters written on the business of the Society, acknowledge the receipt of all donations from persons who are not members of the Society, notify all corresponding and honorary members of their election, and keep a correct list of all such members, with the dates of their election, resignation or death. He shall have charge of the certificates of membership, and cause one to be properly filled up, signed, sealed and delivered to each member, and shall lay before the Society at the stated meeting in December a written report of his transactions during the preceding year.

ART. IV.—The Recording Secretary shall take and preserve correct minutes of the proceedings of the Society, preserve in regular files all documents belonging thereto that may come into his possession, read all communications made by resident members, notify all resident members of their election, and all committees of their appointment, keep a correct list of the resident members of the Society, with the date of their election, resignation or death, and lay before the Society at the stated meeting in December a written report of his transactions during the preceding year. In his absence a Recording Secretary *pro tempore* may be appointed.

ART. V.—The Treasurer shall receive and take charge of the funds of the Society, except those especially provided for and attend to the collection and payment of monies, but no payment shall be made by him except on an order from the President, attested by the Recording Secretary. He shall keep a clear and detailed statement of all receipts and expenditures which is to be laid before the Society at the stated meeting in December, and at such other times as called upon by the Society.

ART. VI.—The Librarian shall take charge of all books and pamphlets belonging to the Society, prepare a bibliographical catalogue of the same, collect and preserve materials for a history of the Society, and report on the condition and state of the library at the stated meeting in December.

ART. VII.—The Curator shall take charge of the collections of the Society, keep the keys thereof subject to the call of the various committees, attend to the increase and preservation of the same, superintend the exchange of duplicates, (which must be in all cases for the benefit of the collection;) but before exchanges are made, he shall see that four specimens of each American species, and two specimens of each Foreign species are reserved for the Society; all over that number may be considered as duplicates, and report on the condition of the same at the stated meeting in December of each year.

CHAPTER II.

OF MEMBERS.

ART. I.—All candidates for admission into the Society as resident members must be proposed and vouched for in writing by two members, who shall be required to have some personal acquaintance with the person they propose, and shall also be required to state the character,

profession, qualifications and usual place of residence of the candidate. All propositions for resident membership must be made at a stated meeting, and be balloted for at the next stated meeting, when the affirmative votes of three fourths of the members present shall be necessary to elect a candidate.

ART. II.—All propositions for admission into the Society as corresponding members must be made in writing, by two members, at a stated meeting, and be balloted for at the next stated meeting, when the affirmative votes of three-fourths of the members present shall be necessary to elect a candidate.

ART. III.—No person residing in Philadelphia, unless he be an officer of the army or navy, can be elected a corresponding member, nor shall he continue as such after he shall have removed permanently to Philadelphia. In such case a re-election is not necessary, but the corresponding member becomes liable for the annual contributions.

ART. IV.—All such persons as shall in the opinion of the Society merit that distinction, may, on the recommendation of three members, be proposed in writing as candidates for honorary membership at one stated meeting, and be balloted for at the next stated meeting, when a unanimous vote shall be necessary to an election.

ART. V.—No resident member shall be entitled to the privileges of membership until he shall have paid the initiation fee and signed the following obligation:

In becoming a resident member of the AMERICAN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY, I promise to conform myself to its Charter, Constitution, By-Laws and Regulations, and in testimony whereof I do hereunto subscribe my name.

ART. VI.—If any person shall be balloted for and refused, or his name withdrawn previous to the ballot, no note of said rejection or withdrawal shall be made on the minutes of the Society.

CHAPTER III.

OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

ART. I.—Every resident member elect shall pay to the Treasurer an initiation fee of five dollars.

ART. II.—Every resident member shall be subject to a semi-annual contribution of one dollar and fifty cents, payable to the Treasurer in June and December. Resident members removing permanently from the city shall upon request in writing, become corresponding mem-

bers, and shall be relieved from further annual contributions to the Society.

ART. III.—Any member may become a life-member of the Society by a contribution of fifty dollars at one time, which payment shall exempt him from all further pecuniary contributions to the Society.

ART. IV.—Any person may become entitled to receive one copy of the publications of the Society during his life by the contribution of one hundred dollars to the Publication Fund.

CHAPTER IV.

OF RESIGNATIONS AND EXPULSIONS.

ART. I.—Any member shall have leave to resign upon application in writing, provided that all arrearages due from him to the Society have been discharged, and that there be no charge pending against him.

ART. II.—Any resident member who shall become two years in arrears for dues, and have been notified thereof, in writing, by the Recording Secretary, of his delinquencies, shall upon the report of the Secretary have his name stricken from the roll of resident members.

ART. III.—A member may be expelled from the Society for sufficient cause, by a vote of three-fourths of the members at a stated meeting, notice of the intention of the Society to consider the subject of expulsion of a member having been given at a previous stated meeting.

ART. IV.—No member shall be expelled without having an opportunity of being heard in his own defence, and any member thus expelled shall under no circumstances be received as a candidate for re-election.

CHAPTER V.

OF COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES.

ART. I.—There shall be thirteen Standing Committees, viz.: 1, on Coleoptera; 2, on Lepidoptera; 3, on Neuroptera and Orthoptera; 4, on Hemiptera and Aptera; 5, on Hymenoptera; 6, on Diptera; 7, on Insect Architecture; 8, on Microscopy; 9, on Library; 10, on Publication; 11, on Finance; 12, on Collecting Fund, and 13, on Hall; each to consist of three members, who shall be elected annually at the stated meeting in December.

ART. II.—The Standing Committees numbered from one to nine, inclusive, in conjunction with the Curator, shall have charge of the collections in their respective departments. They shall properly classify, arrange, label and keep in order all articles presented to their respective departments, make and preserve annual catalogues of them, with the name of the donor of each article, and at the stated meeting in December of each year, each committee shall report on the condition of its department.

ART. III.—The Committee on Library (of which the Librarian shall be a member "ex-officio") shall procure with the funds placed at its disposal, such works as may be directed to be purchased, and report from time to time what works it may consider most desirable to be obtained for the Society. It shall have power to make such exchanges of duplicates as may appear to it desirable, and submit at the stated meeting in December of each year a report of its operations.

ART. IV.—The Committee on Publication shall receive all such papers as have been accepted for publication by the Society, have them published as early as possible, and follow in the publication, as far as practicable, the order in which they have been reported upon; and also to publish such abstracts of the records of the Society as may be of general interest, and at the stated meeting in December of each year submit a report of its operations.

ART. V.—The Committee on Finances (of which the Treasurer shall be a member "ex-officio") shall take charge, with the Treasurer, of all monies coming to the Society, and invest the same; change any or all of the investments of the Society whenever it may deem it advantageous so to do, and report such changes to the Society at its next stated meeting, with the reasons for making the same, and at the stated meeting in December submit a report of its operations.

ART. VI.—The Committee on Collecting Fund shall endeavor to raise such funds as will enable it to send out collectors, and for the purpose of purchasing such collections of insects as may tend to enhance the value of the Society's Cabinet; all subscribers to be entitled to a share of the insects, and at the stated meeting in December of each year submit a report of its operations.

ART. VII.—The Committee on Hall shall have the general care of the Hall, and shall provide such conveniences as may be necessary for the accommodation of the officers and members of the Society. It

shall effect such insurance upon the property of the Society as may from time to time be directed, and at the stated meeting in December submit a report of its operations.

ART. VIII.—In appointing all other Committees the President shall nominate the first member, who is to nominate the second, the second a third, and in like manner successively, until the number agreed upon be complete.

ART. IX.—All committees must report in writing, and every report must be signed by a majority of the committee.

CHAPTER VI.

OF TRUSTEES.

ART. I.—The Society is authorized to accept in trust, and also to create separate funds for specific purposes, which shall be distinctly named. The principal of each fund shall be kept invested in the name of the Trustees, to be appointed by the Society, for such special funds, always in such good lawful securities—the loans of the United States, the loans of the State of Pennsylvania, or of the city of Philadelphia, sound real estate securities, or others—as the Society may direct, and shall be held by the said Trustees in trust for the special purposes for which each fund may be created.

ART. II.—All money which may accrue in the process of changing the investment of a Trust Fund shall be invested again without delay for the same trust; but no investment shall be changed without the consent of the Society.

ART. III.—The Trustees for such special funds shall be in number, five, of whom three shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said Trustees shall hold their office during the pleasure of the Society, and until the Society shall declare said office vacant as to any one or more of said Trustees, and appoint a successor or successors, and said Trustees and all the funds and monies in their hands shall at all times and in all things whatsoever, be subject to the control and management of the Society.

ART. IV.—The said Trustees shall, whenever directed by the Society so to do, pay over the whole or any part of the Trust Funds, or interest thereon, to such other trustees as the Society shall at any time appoint, or to such person or persons, committee or committees, as the Society shall at any time specify.

ART. V.—The said Trustees shall at the stated meeting in December of each year, and at such other times as the Society shall direct, present a report of the condition of the several funds in their hands, the amount of monies, principal and interest, belonging to each fund, how and when invested, the amount of disbursement thereof, and such other information as said Trustees may think proper to present to the Society; and whenever called upon by the Society shall report upon any matters concerned with said funds that the Society shall specify.

CHAPTER VII.

OF CABINET.

ART. I.—The keys of the cases containing the Collection, shall be kept by the Curator, subject to the call of the Members of the Committees on the several Departments, who, with the Curator, shall have the liberty to open the cases, and shall be responsible for all specimens committed to their charge.

ART. II.—No specimen or specimens of Entomology contained in the Collection of the Society, shall be loaned from the Hall, under any pretence or for any purpose whatever.

ART. III.—Should any one be desirous of inspecting more closely the specimens in the Collection, for the purpose of study or description, he must apply to the Curator, or any Member of the Committee on that Department.

ART. IV.—No specimens will be received on deposit; but all specimens contained in the Collection, are considered the property of the Society,

ART. V.—The Cabinet of the Society shall be open to the study and inspection of the members, on every Monday evening from 7 to 10 o'clock.

CHAPTER VIII.

OF LIBRARY.

ART. I.—The Library shall contain only books having reference to Entomology, and no books presented to the Society, shall be loaned from the Hall, under any pretence or for any purpose whatever.

ART. II.—Books deposited in the Library shall, at all times, be at the command of the depositor, and none shall be loaned from the Hall, unless with his written consent.

ART. III.—The Librarian shall have possession of the keys of the Library, (duplicates being under the care of the Curator,) subject to the call of the Members of the Committee, shall enter in each volume the name of the donor, and, with the Curator, be responsible for all works committed to his charge.

ART. IV.—The Library shall be open to the members, for inspection and reference, on every Monday evening from 7 to 10 o'clock.

CHAPTER IX.

OF PUBLICATION.

ART. I.—All written communications intended for publication, read or presented to the Society, shall be referred to the Committee, in whose department they are, to report thereon at the next Stated Meeting.

ART. II.—All such communications become the property of the Society, and shall be deposited in its Archives after publication; a copy, however, of any paper read before the Society, may be taken by the author; but all written communications which shall not be accepted for publication, may be returned to the author if requested.

ART. III.—No author shall be permitted to make any other than verbal alterations in a paper, while it is in the hands of the Publication Committee, without the consent of the Society; nor shall the Committee make any alterations in a paper committed to it, without the consent of the author. All alterations proposed, other than verbal, must be read to the Society, and if the types are set, they shall be made only at the expense of the author.

ART. IV.—The regular publication of the Society, shall be called "The TRANSACTIONS of the American Entomological Society," and shall be published in numbers of a uniform octavo size, at as short intervals as practicable. The expenses of publishing the Transactions shall be defrayed by subscriptions and sales, aided by the interest arising from the permanent Publication Fund.

ART. V.—The Committee shall keep a correct account of its money transactions, receiving all monies arising from the sale of the Transactions and interest from the Publication Fund, and paying all bills for publishing the same, these having been first approved by a majority of the Committee.

CHAPTER X.

MEETINGS.

ART. I.—The Stated Meetings of the Society shall be held on the second Monday evening of each month, at such hours as may be fixed from time to time by the Society.

ART. II.—Special Meetings of the Society may be called by the President, whenever he may deem it neccessary, or at the request of any three members in writing.

ART. III.—Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ART. IV.—The order of business at Stated Meetings shall be as follows:—

1. Minutes of last Stated Meeting shall be read.
2. Reports of Officers and Committees.
3. Donations to Cabinet.
4. Donations to Library.
5. Written communications.
6. Verbal communications.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.
9. Proposals and Elections.
10. Rough minutes read and adopted.
11. Adjournment.

CHAPTER XI.

ART. I.—In case of the dissolution of the Society, a meeting of the Resident Members shall be called, to decide upon the disposition which shall be made of its property.

ART. II.—In all such points of order as are not noticed in these By-Laws, the Society is to be governed by the established usages of similar Institutions.

ART. III.—Every proposition to alter or amend these By-Laws, shall be submitted in writing at a Stated Meeting, and acted upon at the next Stated Meeting, and if adopted by the affirmative votes of two-thirds of the members present, it shall become part of these By-Laws; provided, that at least ten members be present at each of the readings.

ART. IV.—No one or more of these By-Laws shall be suspended.

October 14, 1867.

President Horn in the Chair.

Ten members present.

The following donation to the *Cabinet* was announced:—

16 specimens of Lepidoptera (*Argynnis Diana*, ♂ ♀, *Thecla pocas*, *T. falacer*, *Polyommatus comyntus*, *Hesperia cellus*, *H. leonardis*, *H. logan*), from James Ridings.

The following donations to the *Library* were announced:—

Annales de la Société Entomologique de France. Vol. 5, Part 4 (1836), Vol. 6 Part 1 (1837), 4th series Vol. 5, Part 4, and Vol. 6, Parts 1 to 4 inclusive. From the *Society*.

The Entomologist's Monthly Magazine, for September 1867. From the *Editors*.

The American Journal of Science and Arts, September 1867. From the *Conductors*.

Condition and doings of the Boston Society of Natural History. (From the Annual Reports of Officers.) May, 1867. From the *Society*.

Letters were received from the Secretary of the Linnean Society of London, and from the Editors of the Entomologist's Monthly Magazine, acknowledging the receipt of the Society's publication.

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November 11, 1867.

President Horn in the Chair.

Nine members present.

The following donations to the *Library* were announced:—

Proceedings of the Essex Institute, Vol. 5, No. 4. From the *Institute*.

Transactions of the Literary and Historical Society of Quebec, New series, Part 5. From the *Society*.

The American Naturalist, Vol. 1, No. 8. From the *Editors*.

Revue des Cours Scientifiques de la France et de l'estranger, Quartrième année, Numéro 31. From the *Directors*.

Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, 1867, Nos. 1, 2 and 3. From the *Academy*.

Transactions of the American Entomological Society, Vol. 1, No. 1. From the *Publication Committee*.

Letters were read from the Smithsonian Institution, the Essex Institute, and the Chicago Academy of Sciences, acknowledging the receipt of the Society's publication.

DECEMBER 8, 1867.

President HORN in the Chair.

Thirteen members present.

The Annual Reports of the Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, the Treasurer, Librarian, Curator and Standing Committees were read and accepted.

The following donations to the *Library* were announced :—

Verhandlungen der kaiserlich-koniglichen zoologisch-botanischen Gesellschaft in Wien. Band 15 and 16. From the *Society.*

Tijdschrift voor Entomologie, Series 2, Vol. 1, and No. 1 of Vol. 2. From the *Soc. Ent. des Pays-bas.*

The American Naturalist for December, 1867. From the *Editors.*

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Descriptions of new American Lepidoptera, No. 2, by A. R. Grote and C. T. Robinson. From the *Authors.*

Monthly Report of the Department of Agriculture for August, September and October, 1867. From the *Department.*

The Illustrated Annual Register of Rural Affairs for 1868. From the *Publishers.*

The following Papers were presented for publication in the *Transactions :*—

"Geotrupes of Boreal America, by Geo. H. Horn, M. D."

"Descriptions of American Lepidoptera, No. 3, by A. R. Grote and C. T. Robinson."

"Notes on the 'Apple Bark-louse' (*Lepidosaphes conchiformis* Gmelin sp.), with a description of a supposed new species of Acarus, by Henry Shimer, M. D."

On ballot, Dr. Herman Hagen, of Cambridge, Mass. (formerly of Königsberg, Prussia), was elected a *Corresponding Member.*

The Society then proceeded to elect Officers and Standing Committees for the ensuing year, with the following result :—

OFFICERS.

President—George H. Horn, M. D.
Vice-President—William S. Pine.
Corresponding Secretary—E. T. Cresson.
Recording Secretary—J. Frank Knight.
Treasurer—James W. McAllister.
Librarian—George B. Dixon.
Curator—Ezra T. Cresson.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Coleoptera—G. H. Horn, M. D., Sam'l. Lewis, M. D., Chas. Wilt.
Lepidoptera—Jas. Ridings, A. R. Grote, C. A. Blake.
Neuroptera and Orthoptera—J. F. Knight, G. B. Dixon, C. H. Hart.
Hemiptera and Aptera—J. Ennis, J. Meichel, C. H. Hart.
Hymenoptera—E. T. Cresson, J. W. McAllister, Reuben Haines.
Diptera—A. R. Grote, E. T. Cresson, Jas. Ridings.

On Insect Architecture—J. F. Knight, J. H. Ridings, J. Meichel.
Microscopy—C. C. Cresson, M. D., C. T. Robinson, C. A. Blake.
Library—C. A. Blake, Samuel Lewis, M. D., W. S. Pine.
Publication—E. T. Cresson, C. T. Robinson, Samuel Lewis, M. D.
Finance—J. W. McAllister, Samuel Lewis, M. D., Chas. Wilt.
Collecting Fund—Wm. Ridings, J. Ennis, Chas. Wilt.
Hall—C. A. Blake, Wm. Ridings, Samuel Lewis, M. D.

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JANUARY 13, 1868.

Vice-President PINE in the Chair.

Eleven members present.

The following donation to the *Cabinet* was announced:—

Ninety-six specimens of COLEOPTERA (*Dyschirius hæmorrhois, Stilicopsis paradoxa, Fustiger Fuchsii, Adranes Lecontei, A. coecus, Ceophyllus monilis, Chennium monilicornis, Bryaxis abdominalis, B. dentata, B. rubicunda, B. Illinoiensis, B. luniger, B. congener, Rhexius insculptus, Arthmius globicollis, Decarthron formiceti, D. longulum, Pselaphus Erichsonii, Tychus minor, Microstemma Motschulskii, Scydmaenus perforatus, S. fossiger, S. analis, S. capillosulus, Xylophilus basalis, X. signatus, X.* n. sp., *Hippopsis lemniscata*), from Henry Ulke.

The following donations to the *Library* were announced:—

Monographische Bearbeitung der Sphodrini in naturgemässer Auffassung von L. W. Schaufuss. From the *Author*.

Beschreibungen neuer und wenig bekannter Arten aus der Familie Orbitelae Latr. oder Epeïridae Sund. von Eugen Keyserling. 1864. 8vo. From *L. W. Schaufuss*.

Dr. Horn made a few remarks concerning several Coleoptera, regarding whose identity there is some doubt. Concerning *Dysmathes Sahlbergi* Mann., the view was expressed that it was, without doubt, identical with *Amphizoa insolens* Lec., described but a few months anteriorly. *Dysmathes* was described as a Tenebrionide, and Mannerheim distinctly states that the posterior tarsi are 4-jointed, but with a knowledge of the fact that a similar mistake had already been made and corrected by the same author, it is hardly presuming too much to infer that a mistake has also occurred here. (The error above alluded to is that of re-describing *Amphicyrta dentipes* as *Encyphus hybosoroides* and placing it among the Tenebrionidæ.) Moreover the measurements are exactly the same, so that with very little trouble a figure can be drawn. It was in this manner that attention was drawn to the identity of the two insects. The antennæ of *Dysmathes* are exactly those of *Amphizoa*, and do not at all resemble those of any Tenebrionide.

The attention of the Society was also called to the Geotrupes of the United States. Specimens in series were exhibited, demonstrating the correctness of the views expressed in a paper presented at the preceding meeting, in which the species recognized by Jekel were reduced to less than half the number. The importance of large series of species of this and other genera was urged on all who have collections, as the only means of arriving at a knowledge as to what constitutes a species.